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A.—(*a*) The Principal was deputed to the United Provinces to gather first hand information of the action that was being taken there to encourage and develop indigenous systems of medicine and to furnish the Government with a full report.

(*b*), (*c*) & (*d*) The recommendations made in the report are being considered and will be published as soon as conclusions are arrived at.

Hostel attached to the Medical School at Rayapuram.

* 596 *Q.*—Dr. B. S. Mallayya: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is a hostel attached to the Medical School at Rayapuram; and

(*b*) if so, whether it is open to the students of the Madras Medical College?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

Dr. B. S. Mallayya:—"May I know whether this hostel was accommodating till year before last eight students from the Medical College?"

The hon. Mr. S. Muthiah Mudaliyar:—"I want notice, Sir."

Dr. B. S. Mallayya:—"May I know why they were turned out this year, Sir?"

The hon. Mr. S. Muthiah Mudaliyar:—"When I have asked for notice for the first question, it follows that this question also requires notice."

Dr. B. S. Mallayya:—"Is it notice always, Sir?"

The hon. Mr. S. Muthiah Mudaliyar:—"Notice for a consequential question."

Appointment of lady sub-assistant surgeons in Nellore district.

* 597 *Q.*—Mr. B. Ramachandra Reddi: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any report or representation from Gudur and Kavali, either from the public or from the local boards concerned or from the District Medical Officer, Nellore, requesting them to appoint lady sub-assistant surgeons in the hospitals of the abovementioned divisional headquarters; and

(*b*) if so, whether they have considered the question and with what results?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) A representation was received from the President, Taluk Board, Gudur, for the appointment of a lady sub-assistant surgeon in the Gudur hospital. The District Medical Officer and the Surgeon-General considered that the appointment was not necessary at present. The Government agreed with them. No representation has been received in regard to the Kavali hospital.

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Mr. B. RAMACHANDRA REDDI :—"May I ask, Sir, whether it is the Government or the Surgeon-General that consulted the District Board President on this matter ?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—"I am not aware of it. I think the District Medical Officer and the Surgeon-General would have considered the matter before recommending to Government."

Mr. B. RAMACHANDRA REDDI :—"May I know the opinion of the District Medical Officer ?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—"The District Medical Officer and the Surgeon-General considered that the appointment was not necessary at present."

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Report on Ahobilam protected water-supply scheme.

* 598 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state in view of replies given to question No. 154 on 5th September 1928—

(*a*) whether the report of the President, Kurnool District Board, has been received on the question of the Ahobilam protected water-supply scheme ; and

(*b*) if so, what it is ?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) A copy [a] of the report is placed on the table.

[For further list of starred questions, see pages 504–511 infra.]

UNSTARRED QUESTION

Landlord and Tenant

Applications for settlement of rents under Chapter XI of the Estates Land Act since January 1928 from the villagers of Dharakote estate.

599 Q.—Sriman BISWANATH DAS Mahasayo : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of villages in Dharakote estate that have applied for settlement of rents under Chapter XI of the Estates Land Act since January 1928 ;

(*b*) the number of villages that have fully deposited the amounts ; and

(*c*) whether the Government would be pleased to accord early sanction of the settlement operations in that estate ?

A.—(*a*) The Board of Revenue reports that applications have been made from 47 villages.

(*b*) The Board of Revenue reports that 11 villages have made deposits in full.

(*c*) The matter will be considered when the applications and report of the Collector and the Board of Revenue thereon reach the Government.

[a] Printed as Appendix V on page 542 infra.